

Amendments to the Claims:

Please amend Claims 1 through 5, 7, 9, and 10 and add Claims 11 and 12 to read, as follows.

1. **(Currently Amended)** An image forming apparatus comprising:  
  
a movable first image bearing member on which a toner image is formed; and  
  
a movable second image bearing member which comes is brought into contact with said first image bearing member and to which the toner image on said first image bearing member is transferred,  
  
wherein the toner image on said second image bearing member is transferred onto a transferring material, and the transferring material displays the toner image;  
  
wherein a dot-shaped dot image formed of a toner different from the toner image is formable on said first image bearing member, and  
  
wherein a distance between dot centers of dots forming the dot images is equal to or smaller than a width of a contact part between said first image bearing member and said second image bearing member in a moving direction of said first image bearing member.

2. **(Currently Amended)** An image forming apparatus according to claim 1,  
  
wherein the distance between the ~~[[dot]]~~ centers of dots forming the ~~[[said]]~~ dot image ~~images~~ is steadily equal to or smaller than the width of said contact part between said first image bearing member and said second image bearing member in the moving direction of said first image bearing member throughout the ~~[[said]]~~ dot image. ~~images.~~

3. **(Currently Amended)** An image forming apparatus according to claim 1, wherein in the moving direction of said first image bearing member, a leading end of the ~~[[said]]~~ dot image is on a downstream side of a leading end of the ~~[[said]]~~ toner image and a trailing end of the dot image is on an upstream side of a trailing end of the ~~[[said]]~~ toner image.

4. **(Currently Amended)** An image forming apparatus according to claim 1, wherein the dot image is formed of a ~~[[an]]~~ yellow toner.

5. **(Currently Amended)** An image forming apparatus according to claim 1, wherein the toner image is formed corresponding to each color of a plurality of colors and the dot image is formed while being superposed on a first color toner image formed on said first image bearing member.

6. **(Original)** An image forming apparatus according to claim 1, wherein the dot image has a pattern indicating information of the image forming apparatus.

7. **(Currently Amended)** An image forming apparatus according to claim 6, wherein the dot image is ~~comprises~~ a dispersed dot image independently of said pattern.

8. **(Original)** An image forming apparatus according to claim 1, wherein said first image bearing member and said second image bearing member differ in a moving speed at the contact part.

9. **(Currently Amended)** An image forming apparatus according to claim 1, wherein said first image bearing member comprises a photosensitive member and said second image bearing member comprises an intermediate transferring member. ~~body~~.

10. **(Currently Amended)** An image forming apparatus according to claim 1, further comprising a transferring member forming a nip part with said first image bearing member through said second image bearing member, wherein the width of said contact part between said first image bearing member and said second image bearing member corresponding to a width of the nip part.

--11. **(New)** An image forming apparatus according to Claim 1, wherein the dot image is formed according to information different from information for forming the toner image, which a user demands.

12. **(New)** An image forming apparatus according to Claim 1, wherein the transferring material does not display substantially the dot image.--